In the list of examples below you may have noticed words with a dash (-) above them. This is called a **macron** or **long mark** (example: ā) that goes with the vowels in some words.

**Long Short**

**ā** as in *father:* **dās, cārā** **a** as in *Dinah*: **dat, casa**

**ē** as in *they*: **mē, sēdēs e** as in *pet*: **et, sed**

**ī** as in *machine*: **hīc, sīca i** as in *pin*: **hic, sicca**

**ō** as in *clover*: **ōs, mōres o** as in *orb, off*: **mora**

**ū** as in *rude***: tū, sūmō u** as in *put*: **tum, sum**